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## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

## HETEROGENOUS DOMAIN-BASED ROUTING MECHANISM FOR USER AUTHENTICATION

A routing routine is used within a security access program in order to provide access to various heterogeneous directories and registries. Each user logs on with an indication of the domain of which they are a part. An access protocol for the given domain is loaded and used to authenticate the user's access rights.